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OPA GIVES "YB" FURLOUGH RATION DETAILS.

EM OF AAFCC PLAN DANCE MARCH 24, FOR THEIR NIGHT AT CADET CLUB #2

The EM of Classification Center will swing and sway in Cadet Center #2 (AAFCC) Wednesday night, March 24, from 2000 to 2230 at a dance arranged exclusively for them.

Wednesday of every other week, instead of Thursday as previously announced, the auditorium and lounge of the Club, reserved for cadets other nights of the week, has been set aside for the sole use of C.C. enlisted men from 2000 to 2300.

Transportation from town will probably be provided for dates, Miss Fannybelle Crossley, Senior hostess of the Club, reports. And through the efforts of Capt. R. A. Gunderson, AAFCC Adjutant, and Sergeant Major William H. Duke, the curfew for the gals will be extended from 2130 to 2300.

GI's are reminded of the Club's rules: no smoking in the auditorium; no drinks brought in the Club.

One NCO from each EM squadron was chosen to make up the committee in charge of the affair.

HELP YB GROW

YARBIRD has left boxes with the Squadron 1st Sergeants to be put up near the various squadron post office windows. They're for EM contributions to the paper.

GI'S VISITING HOME A WEEK OR LONGER MAY GET CANNED FOODS, SUGAR, COFFEE

Some EM are missing plenty of points when they go on furloughs--even though they may think they do it up thoroughly.

They're precious points these days, too. It takes 16 of 'em of buy a can of peas--a fact GI's can ignore while in camp, but which will probably upset the family point budget when they go home for a couple of weeks.

Because so many GI's lose out on their food rationing privileges, YARBIRD checked the details with the OPA office in San Antonio (Majestic Building) to get the right dope for the EM of AAFCC.

Men in service without War Ration book 2 who have a furlough for seven days or longer may get a certificate good for 16 points worth of processed foods for each week of their furlough. If they have less than seven days--no points. If they're at home eight days or more, up to two weeks--two units of 16 points.

What those "points" mean to the home folks is evident in a few point values of processed foods. The Army specialty--beans--takes 10 points for a can of 18-22 oz. (who'd dare to feed a soldier beans on his furlough?); the same amount of carrots or tomatoes--14 points; of beets--10 points; of pineapple or apricots--16 points.

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SINKERS AND JAVA - \$60.00...

Doughnuts and coffee: \$60.00!

That's the price GI's pay for the commonplace American snack in China. The \$60.00 is Chinese money, of course--but equivalent to three bucks, U.S., which still ain't hay.

Straight information like that direct from a U.S. outpost tends to get under a griping GI's skin if he's located in as favorable a post as SAACC--makes him almost a bit ashamed.

To hear of buddies who get a big kick out of the opportunity offered by a Red Cross radio shack to hear news reports from "the States"; who give \$5.00 of their hard-earned dough to feed a Burmese refugee kid for six months--impresses upon an at-home EM that he doesn't know beans about the unpleasant effects of war.

Then there's Egypt--with no "Little Egypts," for dates are verboten because of Moslem religious beliefs. That's true throughout all Moslem lands, and violations of such regulations might cause holy uprisings which would endanger the entire military situation of the United Nations in that war zone.

In San Antonio a GI can buy a meal from a choice of dozens of restaurants--even if he may not rate any of them too highly, he can get more than doughnuts and coffee for less than \$3.00.

In San Antonio, dates--well, that's vital military information--but they're not the Dromedary kind.

In AAFCC, the EM don't have to listen to news reports on the radio. There're plenty of good musical programs.

What the devil have we to gripe about.

Second thought: gotta maintain tradition.

MAILING YARDBIRD...

YARDBIRD costs money if it's sent through the mails. The free franking privilege service men have applies only to first-class mail, and any GI who sends a copy of YARDBIRD must spend 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢. (For the not-so-bright: 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ can be spent by (1) giving the postal clerk three pennies; (2) using one of the two 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ stamps the clerk gives in exchange for the money on the envelope in which YB is enclosed; (3) sticking the other stamp in the wallet or

pocket until next week).

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SEAY SPEAKS...



ADJ. OCS

Thursday, March 18, 43

Hi Fellows,

A week of my stay at AGOCS has gone by, and I am eagerly awaiting the passing of the remaining eleven.

How is the "Eager Beaver"? I should like to receive the paper if it is not too much trouble for you to send it.

This school is really tough, and they are mighty heavy on tactics. I am getting bunsies from so much drill. My regards to you all, and keep on the ball!

Sincerely,
Jim Seay



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OVERHEARD AT HQ. & HQ.:

Stew Curtis came into the orderly room with a roguish grin, and proudly waving a telegram which stated, "Congratuaations. Son. 7 lbs., 5 oz. Born at noon. Baby and Jeanne well." Stew is naturally furlough-minded.

Looks like Lee Frantom's stable of gals in town will have to wait a few more weeks until 1717's Casanova recuperates from his appendicitis operation. Pfc. Wheaton will no longer be joining that congenial little group which meets in the 1715 latrine 'round 2300 or thereabouts to discuss the exploits of the evening. Yes, portly Wheaton has left the bachelor ranks to marry his home town gal. What S/Sgt. occupying an elegant suite in 1715 can be heard Sat. nightly crying ecstatically, "Oh, Joseph," midst a band of crouching porters and cab drivers, deep within the environs of the Elk's Club? And who is the sweet-voiced gal eating her heart out for S/Sgt. Glavin? Lil' Sgt. Cain is really a mellow hip jiver when he grabs a gal, a hot lick and a dance floor. Claudia, don't be so hard-hearted toward Cpl. Zimler. A man needs his sleep! Boys if you are at a loss for a girl, I'm sure Sgt. Lackowitz would be only too glad to help out. He has more femmes chasing him than a dog has fleas--says he has the proof, too.

SQD. PROP WASH



885 NOTES:

Sgt. "Whip" Williams took away the 885th's passes last Friday night in order that we have a GI party. Where were YOU Friday p.m.? Sgt. Ralph E. Houser has come back from a furlough in Green, Kans. With him are the hopes of living in San Antonio with "Mrs." The C.O., Capt. Crowell, is out of the hospital on quarters. The Captain had an operation on his leg which was injured while he was making an about face movement.

887th BOASTS

that last Saturday the Squadron was commended on the excellent condition of the barracks for the inspection. The reason is that the boys have been spending an hour or two GIing the floors. Each week the inspection has shown improvements, and the fellows are proud of it--determined to stay on the upgrade, too.

S/Sgt. Sanderson is spending his three day pass catching up on sleep. Pvt. John Dwyer is "passing" in Mexico--from what we've heard of the place, he'll enjoy it. Last week Pvt. Fred Walker made the grade--and spent a three day honeymoon in San Antonio.

888th RAMBLINGS:

Pvt. Clyde L. White returns from a 10 day furlough spent in Kentwood, La., suh! Pvt. E. L. McConnell returned from having himself a time in the Rebel country around Demorest, Ga. We of the 888th hope that Pvt. Frank Raines is thoroughly enjoying his extended vacation in Lindside, W. Va.

Nuff said. Cpl. Hilton G. Wallace is in the blue grass country spending his accumulated leave. Louisville, Ky., is the place. Pvt. C. Brooks is back on the Okla. farm a-thirty day furloughing. And Pvt. James E. Demby has departed (3)
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"MILITARY OBJECTIVE"

"HELLZAPOPPIN'" FEATURES

Uninhibited GI's (and who keeps those things in the Army) will get unrestricted freedom of expression March 24, when "Olson and Johnson's Hellzapoppin'" makes its stop in SAACC, Cadet Center #1, 7:15 p.m.

It's got everything--firecrackers, pistols, animals, beautiful dames, comedy, slap-stick, horror, dancing--and everybody joins the fun. No one knows when the jerk on his right may pop out of his seat to, perhaps, stop a poor innocent walking down the aisle and present said victim with a pot of flowers--on the head.

Contributors to the merriment, and part of the company of 30, are:

Maxine Turner--an acrobatic dancer. Some GI's may know her from her Orrin Tucker or Russ Morgan days. (Note to wolves she's engaged, to an Army sojer).

Ben Dova--a comic, the drunk type, who gets together with a lamppost friend of his to stir up some laughs.

The Emerald Sisters--another comedy act, with two girls who use a chair and table for their props. They spill and fall about like GI feet on a SAACC drill field, but they always land right.

Milton Douglas & Company, consisting of two principals and a stooge. They sing. They talk. They dance.

And there are three damsels known as the Three Grace Notes--makers of sweet harmony to soothe the tortured "Hellzapoppin'" audience. GI's from St. Louis (Plaza) or Detroit (Statler) or Chi (Latin Quarter) may find old friends in the Notes.

And lot's more!

Some "Hellzapoppin'" tickets will be available for GI's and cadets of AAFCC. Information as to when they will be distributed can be obtained in squadron orderly rooms.

SAACC BEAUTIFICATION PROGRAM INCLUDES MURAL PAINTINGS IN PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Barren walls of GI public buildings in SAACC are undergoing artistic beautification, YB has learned from Capt. Lockwood, Assistant Special Projects Officer. The stimulus for the program comes from Colonel M. F. Davis, SAACC Commanding Officer, who is interested in doing everything possible to improve the appearance of the post.

A mural on the interior south wall of the EM Service Club was completed this week. The work of Av/C Richard Gates,

Squadron 105, AAFCC, the mural gives a touch of Texas to the Club with "dogies" and cowboys as the theme.

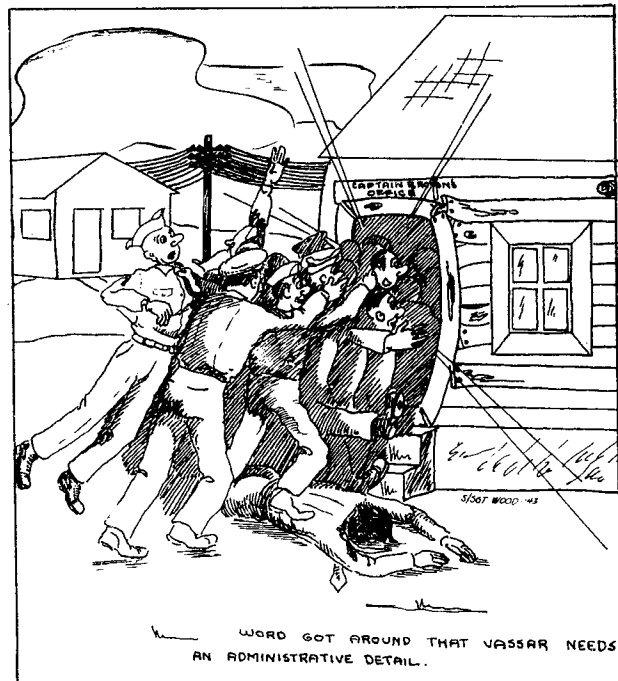
Cadet Gates is a B.A. and M.A. graduate of the University of Iowa Fine Arts School and he has had wide experience in mural painting. Before entering the Army, he taught at Monticello College, Alton, Illinois. Assisting him in executing the GI Club mural were Cadets Schaerer, William Noyes and Howard Soten-off.

Another western scene adds color to the interior of Cadet Club #1 in Pre-flight. It was done by Lt. Julius Woeltz, widely known American mural painter, with the assistance of cadet artists. He is supervisor of the art project in SAACC.

A geo-political mural is planned for Cadet Club #2, which will have as its central subject both polar and mercator projection maps about which will be paintings of various types of planes. Done in oil, the paintings are put on a surface of dried casein glue sized which is used to provide a foundation over the sheetrock walls.

Capt. Lockwood declared that any EM in AAFCC who are experienced artists and who are interested in the mural work should contact him at 3533.

Theaters, chapels and other public buildings on the post are on the beautification blueprint for SAACC.



PAT'S

BY SERGEANT LAWRENCE PATTISON

PATTER



Good Evening... Ever hear of the three male hounds and the female hound in the fox-hunt? It's the first time the fox has been known to run a close fifth...Did any of you read the account of the Colonel's army dying off because of the dirty privies and quarters? Let's not kid the latrine orderlies so much any more. They're the fair-haired boys who keep your

health for you in this Army...And who would want to hatch up a good rumor in a dirty latrine?...In the battle for the Island of Makin, in the Solomons, Capt. James Davis lost his pants. They were replaced by a sarong donated by a native chief. Personally, Dot Lamour appeals to me a lot more in that costume...If this column is a little dull at times, please remember that we don't get paid anything extra for writing it...These new courses sponsored by the Army

Institute might help you attain those credits for OCS. Information can be obtained at the EM Club...This close order drill might be described as miles and miles of miles and miles...Some of those NCO's doing close order drilling are really fit for West Point. The trouble is they don't only point west, but north, east and south as well...Doesn't it make you feel good to see the flag go up in the morning? Or aren't you out



of your bunk by then? Wonder how long it'll be before it's run up on that flagpole of Hitler's favorite beer garden...As Russia's #1 sniffer, Miss Pavlichenko puts it, "Dead Germans are harmless." From Hitler's latest order to abandon his African Corps, there will be about 250,000 harmless Germans soon in Tunisia...Did you know that Texas is one of the few states still allowed to issue weather reports? It's easy to figure out. No one has done it accurately yet. When the weather man is inducted next month, the new insertion will be: "Weather for today--rain in the morning, but look for the latest developments on the hour every hour.

...Good Night.



BLOOD DONATIONS

S.A. HAS ONLY STATION IN 8TH CORPS AREA

In response to GI inquiries about the location of the nearest Red Cross blood donor station, Mr. Eldon Parker, Field Director of the SAACC Red Cross Chapter, reports that blood donor service is available at 422 Morre Bldg., San Antonio. The telephone number is Garfield 9261--ask for the Blood Donor Service.

According to Mr. Parker this is the only blood donor center in the 8th Corps Area and no other unit is at present contemplated.

To answer GI's who wonder why SAACC doesn't have its own station, Mr. Parker pointed out that processing the blood donations is a technical job requiring

specialized equipment for which reason the number of donor centers is limited.

Some centers do have mobile units, Mr. Parker added, and there is the possibility that the San Antonio station may at some time have such a unit which could serve GI's on the post who are desirous of contributing to the Red Cross blood bank.

ADD DOGGEREL

Lines Written on a Latrine Wall:

Some like guys with a sense of humor,
I like guys with a sense of rumor.

by Pvt. Bob S. McKnight
Scott Field, Ill.

From YANK, March 12.

FORM *Twenty*

by private morton l. reissfeld

WHAT IS YOUR ARMCHAIR
GENERAL'S GUESS AS TO
WHEN THE WAR WILL END
AND WHAT WILL BE THE
FINISHING PUNCH?

Pfc. Aig Shettig, 885th: I feel that Germany will have to be knocked out first by a two front war. The Russians on the East and the Allies from Southern Europe should do it. After this has been completed, the punch will come in '44. The Allied powers in the Pacific will have to rain bombs on Japan until there are no islands in the sea.

Cpl. W. K. Aldermann, 886th: The war will end in the beginning of 1945. Before the finishing punch can be dealt, certain chronological events must take place. Germany must be invaded; probably through the Balkans. The finishing blow must be struck at the heart of Japan--Tokio. To do this the new theater of operations must develop in China, ridding it of the Nips.

M/Sgt. K. E. Eldridge, Hq. & Hq.: Victory will come to the Allies in 1946. After Rommel is taken care of, the British 8th Army will have to travel through Gibraltar and Spain up to Germany. Allied forces will have to establish bases in China for a springboard toward Japan where the final decision will be made. When Germany is subdued, Russia will quit.

Sgt. John Gambill, 885th: In the fall of '44, Germany will be forced to fight a two or three front war. Africa will be Allied territory, and the troops will be relieved to move into the Balkans. With Russia on the East; the British and American armies attacking from the South, there will come from the British Isles ceaseless day and night air attacks upon Germany itself. Possibly an invasion could be started along the Scandinavian Peninsula. As this is in progress, the U. S. will have to start a new offensive to regain the Pacific islands held by Japan. When Germany is out of the war, the British and U.S. fleets together will finish off the Japanese navy. The new Chinese Army that is being trained by General Stillwell will play a large part in forcing the Japs from China.

THE YARDBIRD, Guardhouse: I sez as an expert that the war will end.

FILM CIRCUIT

Theater bills in San Antonio offer a wide variety of screen entertainment this week end for GI's in that market.

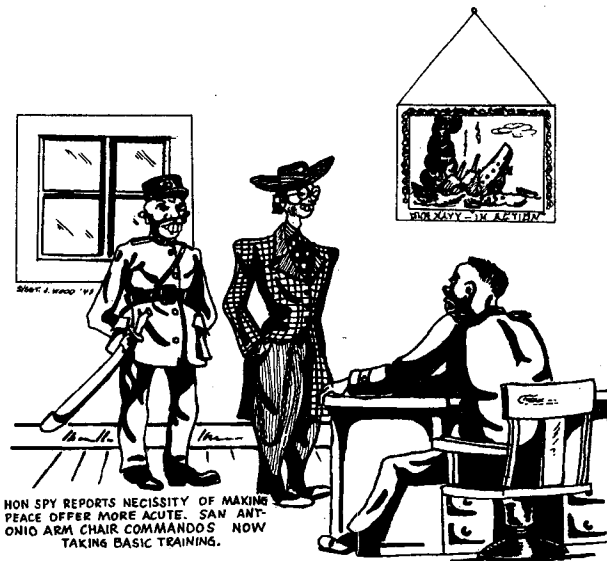
"COMMANDOS STRIKE AT DAWN," a drama of Nazi terror in Norway and of a commando raid upon that country, will run at the Majestic for seven days starting the 18th. Paul Muni, Anna Lee, Lillian Gish and Sir Cedric Hardwicke star.

At the Aztec is the rough and tumble Andy Hardy getting into more trouble in "ANDY HARDY'S DOUBLE LIFE." Besides Mickey Rooney, of course, the picture has Lionel Barrymore and Esther Williams. It begins Thursday and will continue for seven days.

Held over at the Texas theater is "PRIDE OF THE YANKEES" with Gary Cooper and Teresa Wright. It has a seven day extension from the 18th.

The Empire is showing "NORTHWEST RANGERS" for three days beginning the 18th, with William Lundigan, Patricia Dane and James Craig in the lead roles. And on the 21st (Sunday) "RENAULT'S SECRET" begins a four day run. Co-hit is "THE UNDYING MONSTER" with James Ellison and Heather Angel.

Late theater-goers can see "STAND BY FOR ACTION," the midnight show March 20 (Saturday) at the Majestic and Aztec. Charles Laughton, Robert Taylor and Brian Donlevy are the names in lights.



SPORTS

By Sergeant Bill Morgan

BASEBALL SCHEDULE ADOPTED

In a meeting of the members of the Army Service League at the St. Anthony Hotel last week, a 63 game schedule was announced. The following teams were represented at the gathering:

SAACC	Randolph Field
Brooks Field	Hondo Nav. Sch.
Duncan War Workers	Duncan Field
Normoyle Q. M.	Stinson Field

The league is an all-soldier aggregation with the exception of the Duncan War Workers, civil service employees who entered the league as the eighth team.

The SAACC team plays Randolph Field the first game of the season at Randolph, while Duncan Field and Hondo Navigation School open the season at Tech Field in San Antonio. The schedule is so arranged that each team will play a total of 21 games at Tech Field, and visit each of the other teams to provide three games on the home diamond of each outfit.

The baseball diamond in the Classification Center should be ready for the first practice in a few days, as the diamond has been packed and the base lines rolled hard. The grass is beginning to show a nice crop of green blades, and if the infield comes up to expectations, we should have one of the best fields in the Service League.

While the field is developing into playing shape, approximately sixty officers and enlisted men have drawn equipment and are unlimbering the arms and muscles after a long year's rest. It is expected that practice games will be played on the field within the next ten days, and if no further change in the weather occurs, pitchers will be expected to go three or four innings without relief.

BOWLING bowed out during the past week, with plans still pending to determine the winner from the results of the round robin tournament.

SPORTS CHATTER

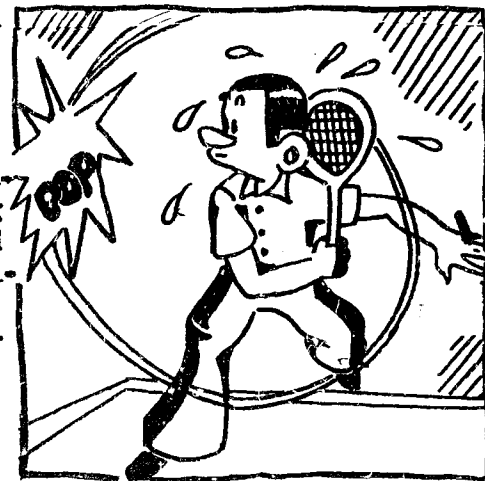
Well, fans, another year is here and now is the time to begin practicing for softball and tennis. Old dame rumor has it that tennis courts and a softball diamond will be constructed in the vacant field behind the Enlisted Men's mess hall.

Tennis would be a great improvement to the already expanded Physical Training program, and would be welcomed by a great majority of the men. This is the only major sport

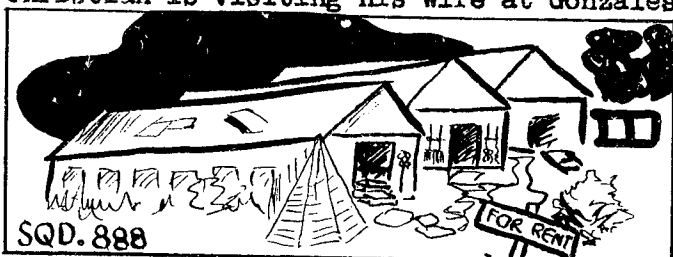
that has no ample provision for the men of Classification Center. True, there are several cement courts on lower Kelly, but the trip plus the "sweating out" period is enough to disgust even a lover of the best of sports. And another court could be added to the C.C. project using a minimum of space, namely, badminton. Those of you who are unfamiliar with this sport have missed a great deal. Shuttlecocks should be easier to procure than tennis balls. It's a much faster game than tennis, and a good player can run you ragged in less time than it takes to tell about it.

Plans are under way for a softball league to be made up of the enlisted men's squadrons, and all squadrons interested should call the YARDBIRD office, 2265, and leave your number so that you may be notified of the date of the meeting.

Our first baseball game is scheduled for Randolph Field, at Randolph, and will be played Sunday, April 11, which means players should be ready for first practice soon. (Cont. on p. 10, c. 1) Page 7



for the hot springs of Ark. (Ed. note: Gawd, this goes on forever.) Cpl. J. Hoffman is visiting the wife and child in Beaver Falls, Pa. Pfc. Herman Dockus is in beautiful Ohio for fun for 15 days. S/Sgt. James E. Swendsen is getting away from it all by staying in S.A. during his furlough. (Ed. note: who the devil wrote this thing. It was delivered by hand, not sent by wire, so HE must be here.) Pvt. Robert A. Wilhoit went to Osawatomie, Kans., for the usual furlough reasons. The men of the 888th are getting about the Lone Star state (other places, too). Cpl. Herman Stenn used his three day pass to see the Naval base at Corpus Christi. Sgt. G. W. Christian is visiting his wife at Gonzales.



Pfc. Charles E. Thompson was in Dalles and at the Baker Hotel, no less! Did i hear someone say that Pfc.'s still make only \$54 per, less deductions? Sgt. Herbert E. Bradley is feeling familiar on the home front in Houston. Cpl. Cecil Murphree gave Pvt. Quentin (Rosie) Rosenberg his girl's address in Ft. Worth. Reports have it that Rosie is making time and may soon be head man in the life of the girl who once belonged to Murphree. S/Sgt. Nance, William R. (Acting 1st Sgt.) was on detached service for two days. While on this aforementioned detached service, S/Sgt. Nance (Acting 1st Sgt.) was paid \$5.50 per day for one day for subsistence in lieu of quarters and rations. S/Sgt. Nance (Acting 1st Sgt.) has announced that he intends to invest this gratuity in either War Bonds or stamps or both. Cpl. Joseph Hamratty has been elected treasurer of the EM Athletic Council. Pvt. D. J. Mason and Pvt. J. D. Kinton both have that faraway look in their eyes. Pvts. Mason and Kinton want to get back to Harnett County, N.C., and could be that they will eventually go to that good old Rebel country soon on an over 38 discharge. It is recommended by the members of the 888th C. C. Squadron (Aircrew) that a gate be installed at the northern end of the C.C., thereby saving the men of the north end

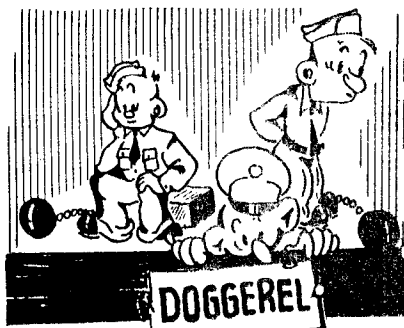
countless thousands of steps daily. (Oh, you poor fellas!)

PRU-LY SPEAKING: Pfc. Frank Hobden is gathering books and organizing a library composed of psychological literature for the use of the EM of the Unit. Many of the men are lending books from their personal libraries in order to form a well-rounded collection. Best wishes for future happiness to 1st Sgt. Walter Heart-sill and his gal who are being married March 20. The PRU'ers intend to turn out in force at their reception to be held at the Coz House, La Villita. S/Sgt. George Mahl will soon leave the AAFCC to become an AGO "shavetail." Sgt. Joe Woodruff recently displayed his latent horseshoe pitching talent. It is amazing to watch him toss "ringers" time after time. Looks as if the cavalry really missed up on a good man.

71st AVIATION SQUADRON (SEP) SAYING the second group of men are now taking their military basic training. The number is 73. According to Lt. Shinn, this group is a better class, showing more interest and energy than the former one. It is echoed in the Alamo City, Wheatley High and St. Phillip's College that the men from 71st rate just a little higher than the average squadron. That is because of the ability of Lt. John D. Sibley as a counselor and disciplinarian--evident in the fact that this squadron maintains a record of having had only one Court Martial case. A telephone booth has recently been installed in the day room. And, oh boy, does it ring! One soldier suggests a sign: "Priorities--calls rationed." Sgt. Frank Snow, Jr. was recently promoted to S/Sgt.; Pfc. Willie Rice to Cpl.; and Pvts. Robert Studevent, John Wilson and W. Young, Jr. to Pfc. A list of 10 of our fellows has been placed on record as possible candidates for airplane mechanics school.

LOST

A pair of GI glasses--full rims--in a blue glass case. Lost in AAFCC sometime Friday a.m., March 5. Return to Cpl. R. E. Bazire, Hq. & Hq. Sq., Barracks 1717, or to YARDBIRD office, Barracks 1713, Hq. & Hq. Sq. Nature of reward will be given due consideration. Page 8



A GI WOLF

If he parks his little flivver
Down beside a moonlit river
And you feel he's all aquiver---
Then baby, he's a wolf.

If he says you're gorgeous looking
And your dark eyes set him cooking
But your eyes ain't where he's looking---
Then baby, he's a wolf.

If he says that you're an eye-ful
And his hands begin to trifle
And his heart pumps like a rifle---
Then baby, he's a wolf.

If by chance when you are kissin'
You can feel his heart a-missin'
And you talk but he won't listen---
Then baby, he's a wolf.

If his arms are strong as sinew
And he stirs the gypsy in you
And you want him close agin you---
Then baby, you're the wolf.

YANK, March 12

by Pvt. Edwin L. Brooks
Will Rogers Field, Okla.

Objective Testing

A psychologist is a funny sort,
His affections can't be bought,
He must be distant, cold and stern,
While testing everyone in his turn.
One thought has always bothered me
Like a tune from some old symphony.
Would he maintain his objective manner
Administ'ring tests to Turner, Lana?

by Pfc. Mort Levin

My Private Plea

A soldier fine I am, I say,
Who does his duty every day,
March erect, shoulders square,
Stomach in, head in air,
I drill, I do calisthenics,
Have seen the show Sex Hygienics,
Labor long, sunrise to set,
Police the ground tho' it be wet,
Fill my orders, walk my post,
Don't complain of charcoal toast,
Salute my uppers, walk on the left,
Keep my weight to the proper heft,
Do all the things a good GI does,
So "Top Kick" listen, hear my plea,
Don't I rate a PFC?

by Pfc. Junior Graber
(Written the day before
he became
Pfc.)

THAT LITTLE BAR

Twinkle,
twinkle,
little bar,
How I wonder if
you are
Destined one day
to adorn
This collar now so bare,
forlorn.
Tell me, bar, does my IQ
Warrant dreams of owning
you--
Or will I hear each day at
dawn
(And on the first lap of my
yawn)

The brassy notes of reveille
Saying, "Come, PDQ,
YOU'RE ON KP?"

Pvt. I.W.
Solomon
YANK
Feb. 26



And civvies get an allowance of only 48 points per month per person.

To get the food certificate, a GI need only present his leave papers to any ration board, which will indicate on them that a certificate has been issued and to what amount.

The same procedure and regulations apply for special sugar and coffee certificates. EM on furlough can add to the family larder $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. of sugar and 1 lb. of coffee per week, with a fraction of a week over the seven day minimum counting as a full week.

So, GI's can go home bearing gifts even though broke. There's point value in them thar uniforms, which civilians will welcome with yearning stomachs.

SPORTS CHATTER (Cont. from p. 7, col. 2)

And something interesting for you Yankee fans (remember, the Yankees were the boys that were supposed to TAKE the Cardinals FOUR STRAIGHT last September) is the current film running at the Majestic Theater in San Antonio, "THE PRIDE OF THE YANKEES." The life story of the one and only Columbia Lou Gehrig, it is a very fine story and should rank among the ten best pictures of the year. All of the feminine fans will get a big kick out of the picture because it also has one of the best love stories yet witnessed by this correspondent. A great tribute to a great sportsman.

YB IS BORN...



Whipping the first copies of YARBIRD off the presses above are S/Sgt. F. Hoe-flich on the left and S/Sgt. P. Torluekmke, EM "lords" of SAACC reproduction.

GREMLINITES

PRU SGT. FINDS PARASITE OF HATED ENEMY

"Where in hell is that condemned paper I had here a minute ago!"

That's a war cry heard often in any GI office. Before Gremlins were discovered, our department (Psychological Research Unit) blamed these crimes upon the Black Dwarf, who, strangely enough, was innocent.

With the advent of the Gremlins, the clue to the actual cause of the vandalism was found. In attempting to solve the crimes, I interviewed dozens of Gremlins --all claimed to know nothing of the situation, but the vipers always say that. So, I tested them on the electroencephalographic apparatus--and I was more surprised than they. The records were all negative, giving them an apparent clean bill of health.

Not to be foiled, I set out on a new tack (ouch!). If the Gremlins hadn't pilfered the lost papers, they might carry parasites capable of the outrages.

Accordingly, I examined each Gremlin with a powerful microscope. Eureka! Each one of the b---ums carried a species of termite, which I termed GREMLINITES. Under pressure, one Gremlin assured me that they had been infested with the insects in Germany by the Gestapo. That convinced me of the cause for the disappearing papers--the termites ate them.

It is now our standard procedure when a paper is missing to get out baseball bats and hunt down the Nazi culprits to prevent further damage.

A picture of the insect is shown here. Note that the species name is German--the insect being of that breed. Sgt. Hamilton, PRU.



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